

12. Western Railway 12 car rake on local line
13. Central Railway 12 car rake on local line
14. East-West Bandra-Kurla link

Statement-II

List of Ongoing Projects in Mumbai Area

| S. No. | Name of the Project | Project Cost (in Crores of Rs.) | Likely Date of Project Completion |
|--------|--|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | Thane-Turbhe-Narul/Vashi part of corridor No. 2 in Navi Mumbai | 403.39 | March, 2001 |
| 2 | Belapur-Panvel double line including material modification | 279.83 | Commissioned |
| 3 | Seawood-Uran electrified line | 495.44 | Ph-I March 2003 Ph-II Not fixed |
| 4 | Kurla-thane 5th & 6th line, Phase-I upto Bhandup | 97.39 | March, 2002 |
| 5 | Kurla-thane 5th & 6th line from Bhandup to Thane, Phase-II | 56.79 | March, 2002 |
| 6 | 5th line between Santacruz and Borivli | 82.42 | Dec. 2000 |
| 7 | Quadrupling of Borivli-Virar | 401.66 | March, 2003 |
| 8 | Automatic signalling between Virar and Dahanu Road | 27.19 | March, 2001 |

Arrival of V.I.P./V.V.I.P. at New Delhi Railway Station

†2280. PROF. RAM GOPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of V.I.Ps/V.V.I.Ps arriving at New Delhi Railway station every month;

(b) whether it is a fact that arrival of large number of V.I.Ps is affecting the running of trains and other functions;

(c) whether Railways propose to appoint a protocol officer to look after the V.I.Ps arriving at the station; and

(d) if so, by when and if not, the details of measures proposed to be taken by the Railways to remove the inconvenience caused to passengers due to arrival of V.I.Ps?

† Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) It is a fact that a number of VIPs/VVIPs arrive at New Delhi Station. However, statistics regarding the number of VIPs/VVIPs arriving at New Delhi Railway station is not maintained.

(b) to (d) The running of train and other functions of railways are not affected by arrival of VIPs/VVIPs and also no inconvenience is caused to general passengers on account of this reason. The VIPs are being looked after by staff/officers not connected with running of trains. There is not proposal to appoint Protocol Officer to look after the VIPs arriving at New Delhi Station.

Report on Gaisal Rail Accident

2281. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the date of Gaisal rail accident;
- (b) the date of constitution of Judicial Commission to probe the accident;
- (c) whether report of the Commission has been submitted;
- (d) if so, the major recommendations of the Commission and the action taken on them; and
- (e) if not, the reasons for the delay and by which date the same would be received?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH) (a) 02.08.1999.

- (b) 20.08.1999.
- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.
- (e) The Judicial Commission which was constituted on 20.08.1999 visited the accident site and nearby stations and hospitals twice during November, 1999. After examination of details collected by the Chief Commissioner of Railway Safety, examination of witnesses commenced from 16.02.2000 and so far nearly hundred Railway